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Clinic fires back

Suit, appeal filed against board

By JAMES COOK
Times Editor

a period of one year, the building was automatically rezoned back to a residence.

The area in question is zoned R-1. Prior to Dr. Cecil opening an office at that location, Sipple Brick used the property as a brick plant. However, that was before zoning was introduced inside the Stanton city limits.

The counter suit, filed by William Thompson, Allen Sperry, Dr. William Crowe and Family Business, LLC, claims that the property owner, Anne H. Cecil, kept the building open and the utilities on so the status should not change. The complaint filed in court states that a clinic was run there shortly after Dr. Cecil's death and that Anne Cecil recently allowed the property to be used by a business enterprise operated by Women for Christ. The business sold items and the proceeds go to charitable purposes. They also claim that she had kept in contact with medical professionals in attempts to have another medical facility in the building. Their contention is that Cecil never "abandoned or relinquished" the non-conforming use because she paid the utilities and continued to seek medical professionals to occupy the building.

Cecil is also a plaintiff in the suit. The Renewed You Clinic is run by Family Business, LLC. Records do indicate that a clinic was in that office shortly after Dr. Cecil's death. However, the city has filed an affidavit that no medical facility has been in business there for over two years. The local ordinance states that if after one year the building is



Last of the old corner is gone

Last Sunday the remaining original Abner's Motel Building was torn down. The old motel had been part of the "main light" corner in Stanton since 1953. Old buildings like Dalton's Restaurant and Cotton's Restaurant are also gone from the area. At right the crew who demolished the old building was Melvin Atkinson (demolition expert), John P. Bowen (contractor-blue shirt), Alex Dominguez and Antonio Martinez.



Times Photos by James Cook

Two injured in wreck on Paint Creek

By JAMES COOK
Times Editor

An early morning accident last Friday sent two Stanton women to the hospital.

Deputies say that Miranda King, was heading back home on Paint Creek Road after dropping of her child at school. King's car collided with a vehicle driven by Shannon Rogers. Officers say

that weather may have played a factor, as roads were wet.

Both women were taken to area hospitals. Rogers was treated and released. However King was transferred to the UK Medical Center with some fractured vertebrae, according to sources. She was released over the weekend.

Officers are still investigating the cause of the accident.

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Barr discusses economy, job growth and Obamacare

By JAMES COOK
Times Editor

It does not take a brain surgeon or rocket scientist to figure out that the economy affects everyone. So it would be prudent to get economic, business and political leaders together to discuss how to help a community. That is what Kentucky's Sixth District Congressman Andy Barr (R) is doing by holding business related round table discussions in Central Kentucky.

Last Thursday Congressman Barr was in Stanton to conduct such a meeting and to keep constituents informed as to what is going on in Washington.

Barr opened the meeting by telling business and political leaders that the Congress was "beyond the budget battle" for now. A new budget agreement was hammered out just a week before. But the debt limit ceiling is still an issue that never seems to go away. Barr believes a new "focus" needs to be given to Congress.

"It is no secret that the current debt limit law is a failure that does nothing to actually limit spending or remove the threat of default," Congressman Barr said. "It is time to stop allowing politi-



Times Photo by James Cook

Congressman Andy Barr (R) address the crowd at a business and economic round table discussion last Thursday at the Powell County Courthouse.

cians to spend money today only to worry about how to pay for it tomorrow. I have introduced legislation to change the way Washington works by advancing a new, much-needed solution that will hold politicians accountable, promote economic growth and job creation, and restrain future spending without threatening default of past obligations."

H.R. 4021, the Debt Limit Reform and Congressional Pay

for Performance Act of 2014, suspends the current process for establishing the debt ceiling, which is based on a total debt figure, and replaces it with a new formula based on the ratio of U.S. debt to gross domestic product (GDP). By tying this new debt ceiling formula to the size of the economy, H.R. 4021 combines the need for lawmakers to focus on growing the economy with the need to restrain spending.

An enforcement penalty tied to the pay of Members of Congress would be triggered should Congress fail to meet the fiscal sustainability target in a particular year. Specifically, the compensation of Members of Congress would be reduced by the same percentage as the difference between the target debt-to-GDP ratio and the actual debt-to-GDP ratio.

Barr reminded the crowd that there had been three votes

on the debt limit ceiling since he took office and some 19 votes since the debt limit law went into affect. "I voted once to allow it, but I have voted against it twice because there were no reforms on spending," he said. "But with this new legislation I have proposed and support, if we don't focus and get our job done, then we don't get paid. People going to work every day understand that if you don't get your work done, you don't get paid and we should not be any different."

Barr also spoke about the implementation of Obamacare and how it has led to several problems. "It has created skyrocketing health care costs, it is eliminating the American people's choices and they have broken promises. Remember when they said you could keep your coverage and we now know we can't," Barr stated. It (Obamacare) is a profound disaster for the American people."

Barr said he wanted to help the local economy by assisting with job growth and job opportunities.

"This area has long been a huge source of tourism and that can become economic activity," he added. Barr also

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Clay City Council votes to accept new garbage bid and contract

By JAMES COOK
Times Editor

The Clay City Council had some garbage to straighten out last week. The garbage contracts, that is and the people picking up the city's trash will be different beginning in March.

The city's current contract with Rumpke, out of Mount Sterling, is set to run out at the end of this week. The company had asked for a contract extension last month, but was also asking for a four percent increase. So the council decided to rebid the contract.

At their regular meeting last Monday the bids were opened as representatives from the two bidders, Rumpke and Advanced Disposal, were in attendance. Advanced Disposal bought out Veolia in Irvine two years ago. The council decided to look at the entire bid and hold a special meeting last Thursday to make a decision.

At that special meeting the council released the bids for viewing. Rumpke had bid the residential pickup rate at \$7.67 per month, while Advanced Disposal bid it at \$7.27. Both companies listed bulk items as being \$10 for pickup.

But in the commercial class category the rates were notably diverse. Rumpke bid small business pickup at \$14.17 and large business at \$23.09, while Advanced Disposal went with \$12.14 and \$19.79 respectively. As for apartments and other multiple pickup areas, the rates differed from \$3.76 to \$29.45, according to the number of "yards" and frequency of pickups.

Councilman Al Campbell did ask if Advanced Disposal gave their customers a wheeled-container for their trash. Advanced representa-

tive, Mark Smith, answered, "Our policy is that if you are one of our customers we give you a can."

But Rumpke's representative, Stacy Chambers quickly pointed out that the cans were not part of the specifications in the bid. "You asked for the price of the cans and our bid was listed, as was theirs," she said. "There was nowhere in the bid where it says if a can would be given. If you want a can from them it will cost you over a \$1 more than ours." The price to rent a can from Rumpke under the new bid was \$1 a month, while Advanced Disposal's bid was for \$2.20.

"That is true, it was not in the specs and a free can is not part of the contract we have here," city attorney Scott Graham said. "So there is no legal obligation for Advanced to give customers a can under this contract if they get the bid."

Mayor James Caudill agreed and added, "If they want to give a customer a can, it is between them and the customer. We, as the city, have nothing to do with that."

Based on the bids, Campbell made a motion to accept Advanced Disposal's deal. "Everything's cheaper right down the middle," he added. Council member Bobby Carmichael seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The new contract will take effect at the end of the month and is for a two year term. At press time the pickup days will reportedly stay the same throughout the city. Advanced Disposal also has the contract in Stanton. Rumpke still has the contract with the county.

The city council also was informed by Clay City Police Chief Shannon Taylor that he would be resigning. Taylor

thanked the council and the mayor for giving him an opportunity. He said he was going to be accepting a position with the Montgomery County Sheriff's Department. Taylor lives in Montgomery County.

"I'll be closer to home and be there for my kids if they need me," he said. "It allows me to be with my family more often."

Taylor's last day as chief will be March 7. He recommended that Clay City Police Sgt. James Kirk take his place, but the city will discuss that later. The city is currently taking applications for a certified police chief and police officer, should Kirk get the nod another officer will need to be hired.

In other action, the council was advised by the parks and recreation board that the Red River Little League Softball had asked to be able to use the fields at the city park from April 1 though July 7. Park and Recreation Board chairperson Diane Caudill said that the league president, Jim Thorpe, was the first to ask this year. The league will provide all the necessary insurance paperwork and may have to shorten their request due to the AmVets using the park for their July 4th Celebration.

The board also discussed with the council about combining projects he city is working on with projects at the park, like a larger paved walking track. The board had been advised that Bluegrass Area District Area Development (BGADD) would be more likely to help get one large grant to assist, than several smaller grants.

The council will look at the idea. They will also come up with a list of projects that need to be completed.



Photo by H.B. Elkins/ KTC

Residents of Powell County got a chance to look at the proposed improvements to Highway 213 north of Stanton. The road would be improved beginning where Stanton's improvements ended and running to the base of the mountain before going into Montgomery County. A new bridge over the Red River would also be constructed.

Hwy 213 proposal presented to the public

Approximately 100 people attended a public meeting to discuss proposed improvements to KY 213 north of Stanton in Powell County on Thursday, Feb. 14. The meeting was conducted by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, Department of Highways District 10.

Attendees viewed a presentation by District 10 personnel and consultants. They provided comments on the project, asked several questions and viewed maps of the area showing the general scope of the proposed project. They were also provided comment forms on which they could express their opinions on the project.

A project is under development to improve KY 213 from the end of recent improvements in Stanton to the beginning of the relocated segment at the bottom of the mountain south of the Montgomery County line. Under the proposal, the route would be widened adding a center left turn lane through the section within the Stanton city limits. The rural section would generally follow the existing corridor, but would have wider shoulders and gentler slopes.

Turning lanes are being considered for selected intersections. A new bridge crossing the Red River would be built downstream from the existing span, with the location chosen from among three proposed alternates.

No funding is currently allocated for utility relocation, right of way acquisition or construction. Funding is currently in place only for design of the project. The project team will take comments and suggestions received as a result of the public meeting into consideration when a recommended alternative is selected and moved into the final design stage.

The project manager will receive written comments on the project through March 1. Photographs and plans displayed at the public hearing may be viewed at the Department of Highways District 10 office, 473 Highway 15 South, Jackson, during the comment period. Comments on the project may be addressed to: Darren Back, P.E., project manager; Kentucky Department of Highways, P.O. Box 621, Jackson, KY 41339.

All the news you need to know, read it in the Clay City Times!

Some roads in Red River Gorge are still closed due to weather

After two weeks of road closures due to ice, snow and downed trees, some Forest Service roads remain closed in the Red River Gorge. High winds from Thursday night's storm brought down additional trees along some roadways.

The gravel roads to Indian Creek, Chimney Top and Rock Bridge will remain closed until fallen trees are cleared and road surfaces are dry enough to withstand rutting from vehicle traffic. Visitors, however, may park and walk into these areas.

The roads that are currently reopened in the gorge are Tunnel Ridge, Sky Bridge and most of Koomer Ridge Campground. Some campsites will remain closed until they are cleared of downed trees and woody debris.

National forest visitors should be aware that gravel roads and parking lots may be soft with the potential for some vehicles getting stuck or slipping in mud.

Hikers in the gorge will likely experience multiple downed trees along the trails. The trails have not yet been assessed, but most damage is expected along ridge-top trails where ice accumulated more heavily. Hikers should continue to watch for thawing and falling icicles along the cliffs.

For updated information contact the Gladie Learning Center at 606-663-8100 or visit the Daniel Boone National Forest website at www.fs.usda.gov/main/dbnf/home.

BARR

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spoke about the new Powell's Valley Millwork Company that has opened in Clay City. The company was known as Red River Hardwoods, but was sold to the Thornberry family out of Montgomery County. They have 40 jobs there now and expect to add another 20 by the end of the year. They project to have 100 jobs there within three years.

Barr also spoke about the effect the War on Coal is having in Kentucky. Over 7,000 coal mine jobs have been lost, according to Barr. "It not affects the coal miners, but counties and businesses that work with coal but have no mines in them," Barr reiterated. In the long run it

is expected to affect electric companies as it has been reported by Clark Energy representatives that some 95 percent of their plants in the state will have to shut down under the new regulations. Costs are expected to rise, experts say.

The discussion turned to the national flood insurance program. Some local leaders wanted to make sure that Powell County was not subsidizing areas along the coastlines due to their recent flooding disasters over the past two years.

"The flood insurance program is underwater \$24 million, no pun intended," Barr said as he spoke about those concerns. "We have a mapping system that is not entirely reliable and we need to make sure they make the maps accurate. There is a program through Bluegrass

ADD to where if anyone feels their property is improperly designated, they can go through them and get a survey at a cost efficient rate."

Later after the meeting Barr was asked about the minimum wage issue. State and federal leaders are pushing for a raise in the minimum wage saying it will help to create jobs and help the economy. Others believe that it could shut down small businesses.

"We have to develop good sound policies that assist with job growth and that would help with bringing in better, higher paying jobs and then that will help with the minimum wage. Just to raise it without good policies in place to help with job growth is not a good decision," Barr said.

The Clay City Times wants to Clarify a few items in a story about John Cox last week. It was brought to our attention that his plane was shot down in 1944, not 1943. Also that the last Republican to be elected to the post of County Judge was Herbert Holman (1962-1966). The story told about Cox being a hero and a friend, his interviews were always enjoyable. Our apologies for any oversights.

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Eugene & Tina will exhibit at KY Crafted

Eugene and Tina King will exhibit at Kentucky Crafted: The Market, the Kentucky Arts Council's signature arts marketplace for wholesale buyers and the general public March 8-9 at the Lexington Convention Center.

Eugene and Tina were invited to participate in The Market as a juried participant of the arts council's Kentucky Crafted Program.

"For more than 30 years, artists in the Kentucky Crafted Program have represented the best of the Commonwealth's art and craft production on local, state, national and international stages," said Lori Meadows, executive director of the arts council. "Kentucky Crafted artists contribute mightily to the Commonwealth's global association with artistic excellence and quality craftsmanship."

The Kings, have owned TG DESIGNS for 7 years, producing Wooden Kitchen

Utensils and Home Décor. The Kings have participated in The Market for 7 years.

The Kings are one of more than 200 producers of the state's finest art, craft, literature and artisanal food products who will participate in The Market. Tickets are available online for the arts marketplace, now in its 32nd year.

Kentucky Crafted: The Market offers buyers from galleries, shops and online retail venues across the nation the opportunity to select products from this elite group of exhibitors. The Market is open exclusively to the trade on March 7.

On March 8-9, the marketplace opens to the public. In addition to shopping for fine art and craft, visitors can enjoy musical performances, sample regional food products, participate in hands-on activities, and explore Kentucky traditions through special exhibits.

Discounted event tickets are currently on sale online. One-day tickets are \$8 online, \$10 at the door. Two-day tickets are \$12 online, \$15 at the door. Children 15 and younger are admitted free of charge.

For more information about TG DESIGNS, call 606-663-8211 or eking1953@yahoo.com

For more information about Kentucky Crafted: The Market, visit <http://artscouncil.ky.gov/KentuckyArt/2014Market.htm>

The Kentucky Arts Council, the state arts agency, creates opportunities for Kentuckians to value, participate in and benefit from the arts. Kentucky Arts Council funding is provided by the Kentucky General Assembly and the National Endowment for the Arts.



Airman 1st Class Claypoole graduates

The family and friends of Airman First Class Zachary Claypoole are proud to announce that he has graduated from basic training and tech school.

Claypoole, of Clay City, graduated from basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas on Dec. 27, 2013 and graduated from his technical training on Feb. 12. He will be performing the duties of Special Ops Logistic Planner. He will be reporting to his first duty station on March 1.

Zach is a 2013 graduate of Powell County High School where he was a drummer for the Marching Pirates and Pep Band. He was also a very active member of his church youth group at Grace Fellowship Church of God of Prophecy in Stanton.

Zach is the son of Crystal and Robert Boyd of Clay City.

Retired Teachers prepare for Reading Celebration

The Powell County Retired Teachers met Friday, February 14, at noon at Natural Bridge State Park. President Karen Gilbert called the meeting to order. Nellie Anderson led in pledge to the flag. Mary Back led in prayer. After lunch and time of fellowship, committees made their reports.

Nellie Anderson asked everyone to attend the Reading Celebration on March 22 at Powell County High School and Middle School.

Mr. Bob Wagoner, Executive Director of Retired Teachers was guest speaker.

Members present were Sandy and Jim Hall, Betty Sue Crabtree, Nellie Anderson, Taffie Bellamy, Karen Shearer, Carol Howell, Mary Back, Janet Foster, Ovie Hollon, Billy Rose, Diane Davis, Bea Snowden, Ceibert and Karen Gilbert, Virginia Todd, and Jean Derickson. Guests were Linville Bellamy, Josie Anderson, Jerlene Rose, Greg Crabtree, and Josie Hollon.

Our next meeting will be on Friday, March 14 at noon in the county Extension Office in Stanton. It will be potluck, but meat will be provided.

Our guest speaker will be a person from Humana. Please plan to attend.

Got a story idea?
Want to share some good news?
What about those recipes?
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Powell students earn Dean's List honors at HCTC

The following Hazard Community and Technical College students have been named to the Dean's List for the fall 2013 semester.

To be named to the Dean's List a student must have attained a grade point average of 3.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale and successfully complete at least 12-18 KCTCS semester credits of course work numbered 100 or above (excluding any courses considered developmental).

Those honored from Powell County are: Tina Marie Sears of Stanton and Cathy Lynn Turner of Clay City.

Rental assistance available to eligible veterans

Kentucky River Foothills Development Council, Inc. (KRFDC) recently received a Supportive Services for Veteran Families grant from the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs to financially assist Veterans who are having problems paying rent or need to obtain housing.

Veterans in the community who are renting or leasing may be eligible to receive direct financial assistance to pay their late rent, future rent, and/or utility bills. The program will also assist Veterans and their families obtain permanent housing if they do not have any. If a Veteran is staying with friends or family but does not have a residence of their own, or they are homeless, the program will financially assist them with a security deposit, up to three

months' rent, utility deposits and/or utility payments. All forms of payment will go directly to the landlord or utility vendor on behalf of the Veteran. Financial assistance will not have to be repaid.

Residents or those relocating to Bath, Clark, Clay, Estill, Jackson, Laurel, Madison, Menifee, Montgomery, Morgan, Powell, Rockcastle, and Rowan counties are eligible for this program.

To meet program requirements, the Veteran must be eligible to receive VA Medical services and the household income must not exceed 50% of the area median income (varies with household size). Likewise, the Veteran must be imminently at-risk of losing their current housing such as facing an eviction notice and/or utility shut-off or does not

have permanent housing.

KRFDC offers an additional 40 human service programs that Veterans and their families enrolled in this project may benefit. These include energy assistance, Head Start (for children), marriage education, marriage and relationship skills, parenting skills, financial management, job and career advancement, and responsible fatherhood. Participants will also be engaged through outreach to the network of providers with whom KRFDC regularly partners, including the VA, homeless shelters, DCBS, food banks, churches, and other entities.

If you are a Veteran or someone you know is a Veteran who may benefit from this program's assistance with housing expenses, please con-

tact KRFDC at 859/624-2046 or ssvf@foothillscap.org. KRFDC can be found at online at www.foothillscap.org.

Deadlines for ALL submissions (ads, social events, and announcements) is 5 p.m. on Monday's. Letters to the Editor or Legal Ads must be turned in by the Friday before the next issue by Noon.



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A lot has been accomplished and there is still a lot more to do now



RICHARD HENDERSON
State Representative

We reached the halfway mark of the session and the pace over the next 30 days will pick up significantly as we consider the merits of hundreds of bills filed and analyze the governor’s budget.

We hit another milestone this week as the first House bill of the 2014 session was approved by the House and Senate. House Bill 98 will require schools to have at least one school employee trained to administer - or help the student administer - shots like insulin and medications for epilepsy. The school employee would be a volunteer and the drugs could only be given with written permission by the parent or guardian with the child’s doctor’s authorization. House Bill 98 now goes to the governor for his signature to become law.

A measure that would expunge felons’ records after five years was passed out of the House this week. House Bill 64 would allow Kentuckians convicted of first-time Class D felonies to ask a court to expunge their criminal record five years after they complete their sentence if they have not committed additional criminal charges. Prosecutors would be notified, and certain crimes involving children, the elderly or sex offenses would be ineligible for expungement, as would federal crimes.

More than 95,000 Kentuckians would be eligible to apply for expungement and if granted, they could find employment, volunteer at their children’s school, apply for loans – everyday things they are barred from because of their felony record. HB 64 passed with a vote of 79-21 and now goes to the Senate for consideration.

House Resolution 51 would encourage law enforcement and emergency agencies to undergo one hour of training on Alzheimer’s and dementia disorders to better understand how to communicate and understand patients with these diseases. EMT’s, sheriff’s departments, firefighters, police and emergency services personnel in cities

with populations of 25,000 would be required to have this training. HR 51 passed with a vote of 94-0.

Another bill addressing health care needs is House Bill 252 which would establish an advisory council on autism spectrum disorders. The council would promote early screening, identification and early intervention practices; shore up the state, regional and local level collaboration and coordination with families, advocates and state agencies; and develop recommendations for increased federal state and local partnership. The council would also work to enhance professional development and promote services to assist with transitioning youth to adulthood on the autism spectrum. HB 252 passed with a vote of 99-0 and goes to the Senate for consideration.

We have a lot to accomplish in the next 30 days. If you’d like to keep informed of our progress log onto the legislative Research Commission website at www.lrc.ky.gov or call the LRC toll-free Bill Status Line at 866-840-2835. To find out when a committee meeting is scheduled, call the LRC toll-free Meeting Information Line at 800-633-9650.

Beware when it comes to hiring repair help after a storm

Better Business Bureau serving Central Eastern Kentucky urges residents who experienced downed trees, gutters and other property damage from the recent ice storm that hit a large part of the state to watch out for disreputable “storm chasers” and use the BBB to check out companies.

“Some residents may need tree removal, roof and building repair, electrical repairs, even auto body work,” said Heather Clary, Director of Communications for BBB serving Central & Eastern Kentucky. “BBB can help consumers find reputable businesses to hire and help them avoid losing their money to less reputable contractors that might have bad intentions.”

Tips for Hiring a Company to Repair Storm Damage:

- Get the company’s complete name, address and phone number. Be skeptical of any vague answers, or no offers of contracts, brochures, or anything in writing. Beware of high pressure...a reputable company will let you check them out first.

- Check out local and out-of-state businesses with the Better Business Bureau by logging on to www.bbb.org. Get a list of BBB Accredited Businesses in central and eastern Kentucky by visiting www.bluegrass.bbb.org or calling the BBB at 1-800-866-6668. If a business says they are BBB Accredited, verify it by calling the BBB or checking our website first.

- Verify that the company has liability and worker’s comp insurance, as well as licensing if required. If a contractor cannot provide proof of it, beware.

- Get several estimates. Remember, businesses can charge whatever price they like. Get a written contract for work to be done. This helps protect the consumer and the business.

- If it’s an out-of-town or out-of-state company, ask how any warranty issues or problems will be addressed long after work is done and the company is gone.

- NEVER pay the entire amount of the job up front.

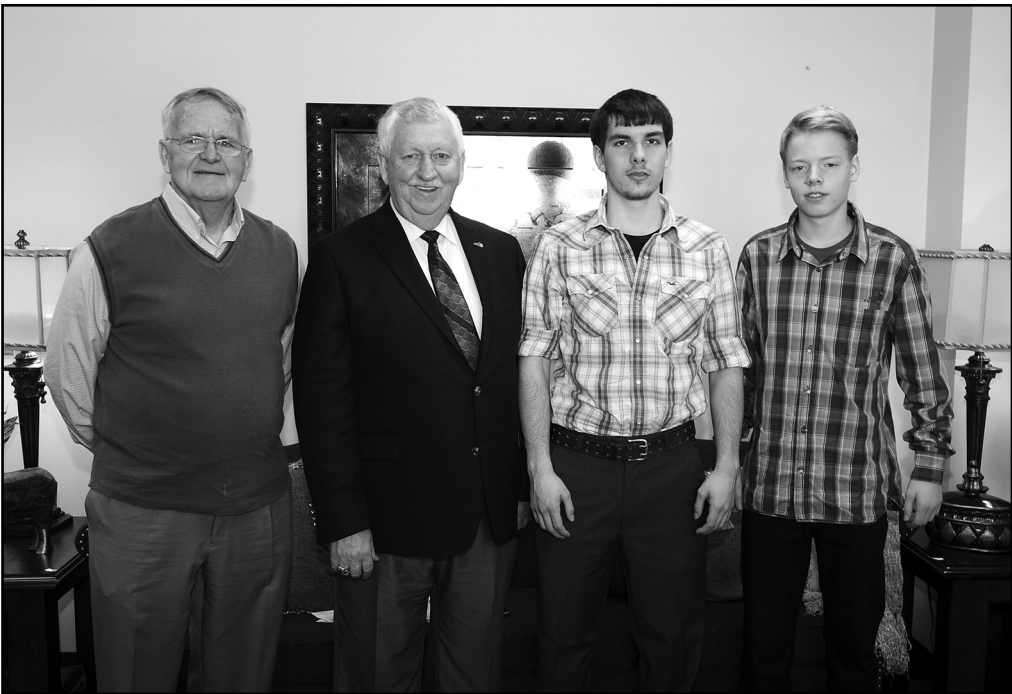


Photo submitted
Senator Albert Robinson welcomes Joe Bowen, Kyle Foy and foreign exchange student Jan Rieve to the capital.

Historic vote to restore felons voting rights held

We’ve passed the midpoint of the General Assembly and we are on the downhill slide, but things will only be heating up from this point.

The bills that passed this week included an historic piece of legislation restoring voting rights to certain felons. House Bill 70 with Senate Committee Substitute One provides two paths to voting rights restoration. After release from incarceration, there would be a five year waiting period before restoration of voting rights. The other mechanism, which is currently in place, is the executive pardon by the sitting governor.

I believe in stiff penalties for crimes committed, including the death penalty. However, I also feel that once the sentence is complete and the person has been released, and has had a sufficient and appropriate amount of time to prove themselves as reformed, the slate should be wiped clean. Therefore, I support the restoration of voting rights for certain felons under this constitutional amendment. The House Bill passed our chamber Thursday and now goes back to the House.

Another piece of legislation that passed Thursday is Senate Bill 119. The bill sets up a medical review panel for lawsuits against healthcare providers. It consists of three doctors and their opinion is admissible to court.

It is not a finding of law or an opinion. This measure will help prevent frivolous lawsuits, and it will protect victims that are taken advantage of by unscrupulous attorneys who try to sign them up for unfounded suits. This behavior can harm innocent people who are manipulated by unethical lawyers. The measure would also keep healthcare providers focused on what they need to do rather than worrying about entering into frivolous litigation which costs them a great deal of money, as well.

As always, I invite you to visit in Frankfort. Meanwhile, check the work of the Senate Majority Caucus on Twitter at @kysenategop, and my FaceBook page, <https://www.facebook.com/Senatoralbertrobinson> for more information on the legislative schedule and how you can reach me. There you will also find out several different ways to keep up with the work of the legislature.

Senator Albert Robinson (R-London) represents the 21st District comprised of Laurel, Jackson, Estill, Powell, Menifee and Bath counties. He serves on the Banking and Insurance Committee, the State and Local Government Committee, the Transportation Committee, and the Veterans, Military Affairs, and Veterans Committee.

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Local Option Sales Tax is a way for a community to see their tax dollars working

**By DR. PAUL COOMES
AND DR. WILLIAM HOYT**
Guest Columnist

This year, the Kentucky state legislature could give citizens a chance to a vote on allowing time-limited local sales taxes for dedicated projects. These would be optional at the local level, probably a 1-percentage-point rate added to the 6 percent rate now levied by Kentucky state government. As economists, we write not to recommend higher taxes overall, but to explain why local sales taxes are both popular around the United States and a useful addition to the financial toolbox of local communities.

Economists see many advantages to local sales taxes compared to other taxes. One axiom of economics is that if you tax something you get less of it. Thus, taxing consumption encourages saving, while taxing income punishes effort and achievement. Moreover, households tend to view sales taxes as

associated with the voluntary act of purchasing something desirable, but view income taxes as a forced extraction from their hard earned wages and salaries. Hence, voters are more likely to approve sales tax increases, particularly when they see the funds dedicated to an important public good or service, but to reject income tax increases.

Local governments around Kentucky need some financial flexibility. They are on the front lines of services to residents and businesses, including public safety, fire protection, EMS, sanitation, roads, sidewalks, libraries, parks and recreation facilities. Yet, they are increasingly squeezed by huge employee pension costs required by state government. Local governments rely on property tax revenues, which have been flat for many years, and occupational and business taxes that discourage work and risk taking. And, being closest to voters, local public officials hear the “no new taxes” message the loudest and most frequent.

A more subtle, but equally important, point is that communities around Kentucky aspire to grow and prosper in different ways. Some want more safety, some more parks, some more libraries, convention centers, bike paths, arts facilities, buses, or swimming pools. Some want less. Kentucky state government has traditionally provided many of these economic- development and quality-of-life amenities for communities. But state government has its own fiscal constraints and should spend its growth dollars on truly statewide issues, like highways, bridges, higher education, health care for the poor, and prisons.

With the option of adding, say, a penny to the sales tax, local governments could place on the ballot a proposal to spend the extra money on a specific package of public services most in demand by local citizens. If they approve it in a referendum, clearly the community wants to tax itself to get items in the package. If the referendum fails, the tax

would not go into effect. The complicated state-local funding structures to build the Louisville downtown arena and the rebuilding of Rupp Arena in Lexington are great examples of projects that could more cleanly be funded by a local sales tax.

Under one format, the additional sales tax revenues are used to service the debt on a bond issue, typically with a 20-year life, with the bond proceeds dedicated to some community enhancement projects rather than core local public services like police. When the bonds are paid off, the local sales tax expires unless voters re-authorize it for new projects.

The local sales tax option also creates the possibility of changing the structure of taxation without raising overall taxation. For example, a community could vote to reduce or get rid of its occupational license tax or net profits tax and replace the revenues with those from a sales tax.

Thirty-seven US states allow local sales taxes. Eighty

of the largest 108 American cities have local sales taxes. Of our bordering states, only Indiana and Virginia do not allow them. Tennessee uses local sales taxes extensively, with rates up to 2.25 percent (on top of the state rate of 7 percent), and is thus able to function without taxation of wages and salaries anywhere. Kentucky’s constitution currently allows general sales taxation only at the state level. But an amendment to the constitution, allowing local sales taxes, has been of-

fered to the legislature, and with approval from the General Assembly will be submitted to voters later this year. We believe adding this tool to the toolbox of communities in Kentucky makes good economic sense.

Paul Coomes, Ph.D., Emeritus Professor of Economics, University of Louisville, and William Hoyt, Ph.D., Gatton-Endowed Professor and Chair of Economics, University of Kentucky

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With spring around the corner, time to get those trees ready



MIKE REED
County Ag. Agent

Apple Tree Grafting Class to be held March 6

For those gardeners and green thumbs who just can't wait until spring, there will be a fruit tree grafting demonstration held on Thursday, March 6 at the Powell County Extension Office conference room. This meeting will begin at 1 p.m. Gardeners will learn how to graft their favorite tree from home on a root stock which will be provided to them for the cost of \$1 per plant. Any gardener who has a special tree in the back yard, or in someone else's back yard should go ahead and take a cutting from a water sprout from that tree. The sprout should be 10-12" long with several buds. These new shoots should be cut now and held in the crisper of the refrigerator until the workshop. Bring these water sprouts with you and we will graft them together. Class participants also need to bring a sharp knife for grafting as well. Any other supplies will be provided as part of the class.

All gardeners interested in pruning and grafting are invited and encouraged to attend.

For more information about grafting fruit trees or other farm/garden topics, contact your Powell County Cooperative Extension Service at 169 Maple Street in Stanton-606-663-6405.

Clover Seeding to begin soon

Last Saturday's semi-spring weather enticed many of us to get out and soak up the sun and start farming again. Even the robins have arrived, so we know that spring cannot be far away. Mid February through April 20 is the best time of the year to sow clover seed in pastures or hay fields. After mid-March, drilling seed into the soil should be the only method used as it is important for seed to get good seed/soil contact. Over-seeding or broadcasting seed after this time may result in less than good results.

Varieties of the clover you use are important for the best yield results. Variety trials demonstrate considerable yield differences between improved cultivars and the older, common varieties. A better red clover variety is worth 2-5 tons of extra yield over the life of the stand. Even though you may gripe and complain when you check out recent seed prices, the extra results should more than pay for the additional costs.

Keep in mind rates are important. Red clover can be sown at the rate of 8- 12 pounds per acre and white clover up to 3 pounds per acre. Variety names may be a little different than they were maybe the last time you re-seeded. You will see names such as Red Gold, Cinnamon, Arlington, and Robust among others for red clover; Will and Advantage among others for white clover that are good

for our area. Over-seeding or renovating our pasture fields is always a good idea for spring. Stop by the Powell County Extension Office for details and varieties that are good for our area.

Forage producers are encouraged to get their soil samples in as soon as possible. All the good seed in the state will not grow well if soil nutrient levels are not adequate for good grass and legume growth. After soil test results are in, farmers will be able to apply needed lime, phosphorus and potash. Farmers should not apply nitrogen to recently seeded fields as nitrogen will stimulate grass growth and increases the chance for the grass to "choke out" the new clover seedlings.

Late February and early March is the prime time for forage improvement. Contact me at the Extension Office at 663-6405 if you have questions.

Prune Fruit Trees now for more fruit this fall

I, along with the rest of the country, will be glad when winter is over. One of the first outdoor chores we may need to do once the weather changes, is to give our fruit trees some attention. It is best to prune most fruits while the plants are still dormant, but after the severe winter weather has past. Usually in Kentucky, this means late February or early March. This year-who knows?? Fruit trees are trained and pruned to two basic growth patterns, the central leader, used for apples and pears and the open center system used for peaches, cherries and plums.

Regardless of growth patterns, there are two types of pruning cuts used, thinning out and heading back cuts. Thinning cuts open up the tree to sunlight and better air penetration and usually do not invigorate growth of the tree. Always remove the branch flush to the tree without leaving a stub. The presence of a stub tends to delay healing and may promote the growth of unwanted suckers. It may also encourage the introduction of insects. Heading back cuts remove only the terminal ends (tip) of the branch. Heading back cuts promote growth of the lower buds and encourage more fruit development.

The central leader system for apple and pear trees is characterized by a central, upright trunk referred to as the leader. The main branches extend out from the leader, much like the pattern encouraged in a Christmas tree. Keep in mind that the lowest limbs should be at least 36 inches from the ground to allow ease of movement of lawn mowers around and under the tree. If it's in your way while you're mowing the grass underneath, remove it!

For most fruit trees we simply have too many branches. Just one quick trip to an orchard would show you that you need not have hundreds of branches to have hundreds of apples. Within the tree there should be a reasonable amount of branches but should be spaced 18-24' between whorls. Fewer limbs and bare space allows more light and air penetration which results in more fruit and better spray coverage. Once the basic shape of the

tree is established (usually after 4-5 years) , then cutting out water sprouts and heading back branches will be the only pruning you will need to do each year on apple and pear trees. Keep in mind however, that once you start pruning, you'll need to prune a little every year for best production.

When pruning, make sure to cut out any branches that are rubbing against or crossing over each other. If ice caused breakage of tree branches, make sure to cut out all this damage. Remove branches that are shading each other, or branches that are damaged or diseased from the previous growing season. If fire blight caused you problems in the past, now is the time to get rid of its damage.

With peach, plum and cherry trees, the basic principle here is to take out any diseased or damaged branches, then open up the center. The open center allows for maximum air flow within the tree. This in it-self will initiate more fruit buds and reduce disease pressure.

With both type of pruning systems, pruning should involve heading back cuts and thinning cuts. Thinning out cuts may involve the larger branches previously mentioned, or may simply involve removal of the water sprouts that shot up last year. Water sprouts should always be removed as these will not have fruit on them for years, and will only serve to shade the interior of the tree. Pruning will actually promote the development of water sprouts, so once you begin pruning, it has to be an annual event.

Heading back cuts simply encourage the tree to send out additional side branches and more fruit in the long run. Heading back cuts strengthen wood and encourage more fruit bud development.

Many new fruit tree enthusiasts ask about applying some type of fruit tree sealant on cuts. The use of pruning paint or wound dressing on fruit trees this time of year is generally not necessary, as the tree will naturally heal on its own. Pruning sealer may make you feel better, but will really not matter to the tree.

Pruning fruit trees is something that is important to the life and production of the tree, but pruning alone will not guarantee a bumper crop. Once pruning is complete, dormant oil sprays should be applied to smother any small insects such as scale that can cause wide spread damage to the tree. Hard to reach, creepy-crawlers like scale can only be curtailed with oil sprays. Spray when temperatures are at least in the 50's.

Once dormant oil sprays are applied it is best to get your trees on a routine chemical spray program which involves a fungicide and insecticide. Most orchards begin this program in early March and spray every ten days, up until the time of harvest. You cannot just spray your trees one time and declare "I sprayed my trees this year". Each tree or grapevine will require routine fungicide sprays to prevent diseases from taking over your crop for 2014. Stop by the Powell County Extension Office or call me at 663-6405 for spray guides or more information on proper pruning of fruit trees.

Spring forest fire hazard season has begun

It doesn't make sense for wildfires to start easily when Kentucky has had such a run of cold, wet weather but how wet or cold the ground is has little to do with how vulnerable dead grass is to a spark.

"Despite recent precipitation, fine dead fuels like grass, leaves and twigs are rapidly dried with minimal sunlight and wind," said Leah MacSwords, director of the Division of Forestry. "With only a few hours of sunlight and wind these fuels can become primed for carrying a wildfire. It is very important that people not develop a false confidence during wet conditions, and take all necessary precautions with any outdoor burning."

Kentucky law designates Feb. 15 through April 30 as spring forest fire hazard season. During this time, it is illegal to burn anything within 150 feet of any woodland or brushland between the daylight hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. The law is intended to prevent forest fires by allowing outdoor burning only after 6 p.m. when conditions are less likely to cause a wildfire to spread.

Harsh temperatures mean drier vegetation, making it easier for a fire to start and spread. Even if the ground is so wet you can't walk without sinking, the vegetation on top of the ground is tinder just waiting for a spark to ignite. The division reports there have been 55 fires burning 1,506 acres since Jan. 1, 2014.

"This law is one of the most effective tools we have to prevent wildfires," said MacSwords. "Downed trees, branches and leaves from winter storms become 'forest fuels' that increase



the danger of a forest fire. By adhering to the law and burning after 6 p.m., fires are less likely to escape and threaten people, their property and the forests of Kentucky.

"Of course arsonists don't pay attention to burning restrictions and a large part of our wildfires are started by arsonists," said MacSwords. "The best way to stop arsonists from endangering lives and property is for people to make the call. By that I mean call the Target Arson Hotline at 1-800-27-ARSON."

People should contact their local fire department if they have any questions about local restrictions regarding burning.

For more information about fire hazard seasons, outdoor burning laws and safe burning practices, contact the Kentucky Division of Forestry at 1-800-866-0555 or visit the division's website at <http://forestry.ky.gov>.

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not used for the non-conforming use, then the building reverts back to an R-1 status.

The suit also claims that the board of adjustments gave them the permit to use the building on Jan. 2 and then rescinded the permit 14 days later. However, they claim they were not notified of the meeting to rescind and that under state law the board may not have the power to rescind. They also claim that they continued to work on the building preparing to open "under good faith" after being given the permit.

However, the city claims that the owners were notified of the action to rescind and were advised, they continued working "at their own risk"

The suit by the clinic owners ask for the court to nullify or reverse the board of adjustments action to rescind the permit, for a judgment that will allow them to continue to operate the clinic and that the property retains the non-conforming use status. They also ask for "just compensation" for taking their property and interests, "consequential damages, punitive damages and attorney's fees."

The city's motion to appeal the board of adjustment's ruling allowing the permit to begin with was set to be heard this past Wednesday (Feb. 26). The city says the clinic owners did not provide accurate information to the board and therefore the board's decision needs to be appealed.

The hearing on Wednesday caught a few court watchers by surprise, since the city's motion was on the docket on Feb. 19 and a continuance until next month was expected. However, Powell Circuit Judge Frank Fletcher indicated that he had read the motions and wanted to handle the case in a timely manner.

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OBITUARIES

Harry D. Daniel, 86

Harry Donald Daniel, 86, husband of Betty Shouse Daniel, Clay City, passed away Monday, Feb. 10, 2014 at the VA Medical Center, Lexington.

He was born Oct. 24, 1927 in Clay City to the late Allen Christopher Daniel and Clara Phillips Daniel, he was raised by his uncle Matt Anderson and aunt Nellie Phillips Anderson. He was preceded in death by his brother Harold Bernard Daniel and daughter, Sharen Ann Daniel. He served his country in the second world war, his community as a volunteer fireman, and he retired from Clark Energy Cooperative in 1991.

He was a longtime member of the gang at Duck & Cleo's. He spent the early years of his retirement traveling with his wife, and his declining years were spent quietly at home in Clay City. He leaves behind many good friends and cousins in the community and will be remembered for his good humor and friendship.

He is survived by his wife of 64 years, Betty Shouse Daniel; son, Harry Keith Daniel; grandson, Brian Greer Haun, Louisville; and nephew, Paul Allen Daniel.

Services were held on Saturday, Feb. 15 at Davis & Davis Funeral Home, Stanton by Rev. Marion Brewer. Burial was in the Clay City-Eaton Cemetery with military honors. Pallbearers serving were Scott Sidwell, Mike Townsend, Tommy Howell, Ryan Burgher, Shane Burgher, and Jeffrey Burgher. Honorary pallbearers serving were Anita Boldham, Barbara Bellamy, Cecil Burgher, Butch Bloom, Danny Rice, and Jimmy Frazier.

Bobby Gill, 38

Bobby Gill, Jr., 38, of Stanton, husband of Vanessa Gill, passed away Friday, Feb. 21, 2014 at Saint Joseph Hospital in Lexington. He worked as a roofer.

He is survived by his father, Bobby Gill, Sr. (Marcella) of Cadiz, KY; mother, Connie Buffington (Willie) of Stanton; his wife, Vanessa Gill of Stanton; two sons, Bobby Gill III of Stanton and Derek Gill of Stanton; two daughters, Kayla Gill of Stanton and Shelbi Gill of Stanton; two grandchildren, Isabella Curtis and Kinslee Richardson; one brother, Brian Buffington of Stanton; and one sister, Stephanie Hale of Winchester.

Funeral services were held Monday, Feb. 24, 2014 at The Grayson Funeral Home Chapel in Clay City with Bro. Mike Spangler officiating. Burial followed in The Rest Haven Cemetery. Pallbearers were Mike Reed, David Spangler, Steven Spangler, Brian Buffington, Jeff Means, Nick Burton and Bobby Gill III. Grayson Funeral Home was in charge of services.

Debra McGee, 53

Debra Ann McGee, 53, 136 Shiloh Road, Clay City, passed away Friday, Feb. 21 at Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington. She was born July 2, 1960 in Winchester to Bernard D. Ewen and the late Laura Ann Spencer Ewen. She was a retired employee of Natural Bridge State Park.

Survivors include her father, Bernard D. Ewen; sisters, Vickie L and husband, David Caudill and Lenora and husband, Siva Sivaram; nephews, Jayd and wife, Selena Raines and Stephen Raines; nieces, Jessica Amyx, Miranda and husband, Fadi AbuFarha, and Anne-Marie Raines; great-nephews, Jacob Amyx; and great-niece, Hadley Gayle Raines.

Services were held on Sunday, Feb. 23 at Davis & Davis Funeral Home, Stanton by Bro. Dwaine Meadows. Burial was in Faulkner Cemetery with David Caudill, Siva Sivaram, Jayd Raines, Jeff Raines, and Mike Reed serving as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers serving were the Staff at Natural Bridge State Park, the Staff at Stanton Nursing Center, and ER and palliative care at Baptist Health, Lexington.

Louis Moore, 82

Louis L. Moore, 82, Black Creek Road, formerly of Wolfe County, widow of John Moore, passed away Thursday, Feb. 20, at University of Kentucky Medical Center, Lexington. She was born May 2, 1931 in Menifee County to the late Arnold and Zetta Fulks Simpkins.

Services were held on Feb. 23 at Davis & Davis Funeral Home, Stanton. Burial was in Menifee County.

Debbie Rardin, 53

Debbie Rardin, 53, Winchester Road, Clay City, passed away Wednesday, Feb. 12. She was born Nov. 10, 1960 in Irvine to James and Corrine Neal Cole.

Survivors include her daughter, Kassie Rardin, Clay City; parents, James and Corrine Cole, Clay City; brothers, Thomas Cole, Irvine, Michael Cole, Clay City, and James Ray Cole, Irvine; sisters, Wanda Compton, Irvine, Phyllis Hoskins, Clay City, and Alice O'Hair, Clay City. She was preceded in death by her son, Casey Rardin and sisters, Sharon and Joyce Cole.

Services were held on Feb. 14 at Davis & Davis Funeral Home.

Rita S. Thomas, 57

Rita Sue Stokley Thomas, 57, of Clay City, the wife of Robert Thomas, passed away at her residence Monday, Feb. 17, 2014. She was the daughter of the late Woodrow and Pearl Banks. Rita was a homemaker and a member of The Ralph Banks Full Gospel Church.

She is survived by her husband, Robert L. Thomas of Clay City; one son, Fred Stokley, Jr. (Connie) of Clay City; one daughter, Sandra Sue Tolson of Winchester; one step daughter, Mary Murphy (Steven) of Indiana; three brothers, Marvin Banks of Clay City, Melvin Banks of Clay City and Johnny Banks of Clay City; and nine grandchildren. Along with her parents she was preceded in by her first husband, Fred Stokley, Sr.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, Feb. 20, 2014 at The Ralph Banks Full Gospel Church with Sister Betsy Caudill and Sister Dorothy Banks officiating. Burial followed in the Banks Cemetery. Pallbearers were Johnny Banks, Fred Stokley Jr., Melvin Banks Jr., Jordan Tolson, Joshua Tolson and Larry Costello. Grayson Funeral Home was in charge of services



Clark Energy's restoration team back from South Carolina

After being away from home for 11 days, Clark Energy's six-man restoration team consisting of Richard Steele, Sam Adams, Raymond Turner, William Merritt, Barney Toy and David Dennis, returned home from Edisto Electric Cooperative in Bamberg, South Carolina late Saturday morning, February 22. The crew had arrived in southern South Carolina to find 16,000 of Edisto's over 19,000 members without power. The team went immediately to work at one of the co-op's outer offices in Barnwell and spent most of their time working 16 hour days in Barnwell and Allendale counties in a rural setting of pine or fruit tree farms, cotton or watermelon fields, and swamp land. After the ice storm, temperatures ranged from 30 to 82 degrees, with little rain, which aided in their restoration efforts. Their work consisted of putting up downed power lines from the substation to the member's meter, except replacing broken poles. They also had to cut most of their own right-of-way.

The crew reported that they were greeted with many hugs, handshakes, and a lot of "God Bless You's". They also stated that southern hospitality and southern cooking is alive and well in Southern Carolina.

OBITUARY



John L. Cox, Jr., 92

John Logan Cox, Jr., 92, of West College Avenue, Stanton, passed away on Thursday, Feb. 13, 2014 at Clark Regional Medical Center, Winchester. Born in Campton, he was the son of the late Dr. John Cox, Sr. and the late Vivian Stamper Cox.

He was a World War II veteran in the Army Air Forces who was a radio operator on a B-17 Bomber shot down on Jan. 11, 1944 and was held as a prisoner of war until the end of the war. He had served as Powell County Judge (1950-1954) and Powell County Attorney (1958-1990). John Cox, Jr. was an Elder and member of Stanton Christian Church for over 65 years, a member of the Powell County Lions Club for 65 years, a

Mason in Stanton Lodge No. 352 for 57 years and he was a Shriner. He was leader of Boy Scout Troop 180 along with coaching Little League Baseball and Grade School Basketball.

In addition to his parents, he is also preceded in death by two brothers, Nelson and George Cox and by two sisters, Margaret Maloney and Elizabeth White.

He is survived by his wife, Kathryn Smith Cox; one son, Lawrence Cox and his special friend, Lois Gibbs; one daughter, Cheryl and her husband David Goodwin all of Stanton; along with six grandchildren: Emily Cox, Jarod Goodwin, Jonathan (Carol) Goodwin, William (Candis) Goodwin, Dora Beth (Mickie) Sims and Staci (Fred) Lee.

Funeral services officiated by Bro. Jim Hutchison, Tom Graham and Richard Fain were held on Sunday, Feb. 16, 2014 at Stanton Christian Church, 100 West Church Street, Stanton. Interment with military honors was in Stanton Cemetery, Main Street, Stanton. Active pallbearers were Artie White, James Owen Smith, Robert

King, Steve Johnson, Brian Billings, Paul White, Jr., Blake Adams and Tommy Henderson.

Honorary pallbearers were the attorneys of the 39th Judicial District, Mike Rowady, Elders and Deacons of Stanton Christian Church, members of Powell County Lions Club, Dr. Charles Noss, Judge Frank Fletcher, Ben Barnett, Judge Larry Miller, Judge Kenneth Profitt, Bill Cress, Talmadge Smallwood, Roger Stacy, Cory Fannin, Kendall Robinson, Nelson White, Robert and Bonnie Patton, Nancy Allen, Eva Mae White, Thomas Hollon, Gary Rose, Richard Fain, Jeff Stiles and James Edward Dennis. Arrangements by Hearne Funeral Home, Inc.

(Last week we were using a new computer system to publish our newspaper and we regrettably left off the U.S. flag from Mr. Cox obituary. A veteran should be honored at all times, and we regret the oversight. Our deepest apologies to his family and veterans everywhere. JC)

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The family of Donald E. Pelfrey would like to express our sincere thanks for all who attended the visitation and funeral, sent flowers or donated to the church, building fund, brought food, who visited during his illness, and for those who prayed diligently for our husband and father and lastly for our comfort. A special thanks to Brother Anthony Molihan, Brother Max Molihan, and Brother Jimmy Clark for the kind words during the funeral. Thanks to Lanny Rogers, Chris Bolin, and Drawing Nigh for the beautiful songs they sang. Thanks to the Stanton First Church of God for the use of the church and the wonderful meal the ladies prepared. A special thanks to Davis and Davis Funeral Home for doing such a wonderful job. We so greatly appreciate you all.

The Pelfrey Family
LaDonna, Phillip and family
Bryan and family



PCMS Students of the Week

The Powell County Middle School is proud to present their Students of the Week. This week they are: Trinten Neace (top left) from the sixth grade; Jada Crowe (top right) from the seventh grade; and Shayln Smith (right) from the eighth grade.

Student of the Week recipients are chosen based on academics, behavior, and positive character.

Congratulations to this week's PCMS Students of the Week!

Miss Kentucky 2013 comes to town

Photos by Connie Rae Reed

Look who it is. Miss Kentucky 2013, Jenna Day visited the Clay City Elementary School last Friday. She spoke to the kids and even met with several of them.



“Education is the most powerful weapon
which you can use to change the world.”
– Nelson Mandela

Make Up Days Explained

School calendars can be confusing because the law is flexible enough for districts to make some of their own decisions. For example, the law says that we must have a minimum of 170 instructional days in our school year unless we apply for what the state considers to be an innovative calendar prior to the start of school.

The law also states that we must have 1062 hours of instruction in those minimum 170 days. Some districts start out with 175 or more instructional days and they may have stipulations that they can add extra time in their calendar. If so, they established that prior to the start of the school year.

In Powell County, we recognize that we often have bad weather that causes us to cancel school. Therefore, we build 170 instructional days in the calendar for the students with a little over 6 hours per day so we have the 1062 hours of instruction.

Kentucky law also tells us that we must include the number of make-up days in a school calendar that are the most missed in the last 5 years. For us, that is 29. If we were to miss more than 29 days this year then we will have to add those extra days on after our last scheduled make-up day and will have to include that number of make-up days for 5 more years.

Let's hope for some sunshine and warmth in the coming days and for a calm February and March!

From the PC Schools website.

PCHS Students of the Week



Trevor Faw

Trevor Faw is this week's PTO Student of the Week at Powell County High School. He is the son of Cliff and Missy Faw of Stanton.

Trevor is an accomplished musician and has twice performed at Carnegie Hall in New York City. He is a member of the PCHS Marching Band, the Concert Band, the Jazz Band, and the Pep Band. His nickname among band members is "Sexy Sax Man". He is also a member of the Beta Club and the Youth Leadership Council. Outside of school, Trevor has achieved the rank of Eagle Scout while a member of Boy Scouts of America.

Trevor was nominated for PTO Student of the Week by his band director, Michael Estep. According to Trevor, "I appreciate everything that I have learned from him in the last seven years. He is my inspiration musically."

Next year, Trevor plans to attend the University of Kentucky as a Robinson Scholar. He plans to study music and psychology. After graduation from UK, he is considering seeking admission to the United States Marine Corps Officer Candidates School. At some point in the future, Trevor is interested in working for the FBI as a criminal profiler.

Student of the Week is a program sponsored by the PTO and recognizes students who are role models in the areas of study, effort, cooperation, and attitude.

POWELL COUNTY SCHOOLS UPDATED SCHEDULE (Note: NO Spring Break)

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| March 4 | ACT for Juniors |
| March 10 | End of 4th Six Weeks |
| March 21 | No School - Planning Day |
| March 22 | Reading Celebration |
| April 18 | End of 5th Six Weeks |
| May 20 | No School - Election Day |
| May 26 | No School - Memorial Day |
| June 2 | Tenative Last Day for Students |



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Powell Schools celebrate 100 days of classes



Photos by Connie Rae Reed/CCE and Dana Estep/SES
The Powell County School District celebrated 10 days in the classroom last Wednesday, finally. The snow and cold have delayed the milestone for several weeks. The Clay City staff and students (above) took advantage and dressed up in what they believe they would look like at 100. The Stanton staff and kids did the same thing (right).

When visiting colleges think about food

Across the country, high school students are busy planning college visits in order to winnow their wish lists before senior year applications.

“It’s important to visit while classes are in session, and to pay attention to what’s going on in the classroom outside of the classroom,” advises David Porter, social architect, consultant to colleges and universities throughout North America and author of “The Porter Principles,” a guide to college success through social engineering. (www.porterkhouwconsulting.com).

“What are the wholesome opportunities for socially rich student engagement and study on-campus? What extra-curriculars are offered and how accessible are they? What does the college paper reveal about campus issues, concerns and opportunities?”

One often overlooked feature is the structure of campus dining, Porter says.

“Many universities require freshmen to live on campus for the first year because administrators know that students who live and dine on campus have higher GPAs and higher graduation rates than those who don’t. A properly socially engineered dining-learning commons is central to the day-to-day lives of all students living on-campus and is crucial for face-to-face social networking and study with fellow students,” he says.

“But these same universities often fail to realize that student dining is as much – even more -- a factor in developing a sense of community and predicting future success. This is the centerpiece of ‘the classroom outside of the classroom’”

He offers these suggestions for evaluating campus dining commons:

- Is there a centralized dining hall or commons, or are food locations scattered? A dining-learning commons is the living room of the campus, a place where students come together and pause long enough to meet, talk, make friends, see and be seen, relax, study and collaborate. “These are all vital not only to bonding but to learning how to socialize with fellow students from a wide variety of backgrounds in a neutral environment,” Porter says. “That provides once-in-a-lifetime opportunities to develop and nurture valuable networking skills for their personal and future professional lives. If the meal plan encourages them to scatter across campus – or go off campus – to pick up fast foods eaten in isolation, vital opportunities are lost.”
- What are the hours of operation? Students live on a different clock than most of us. For many students, 11 p.m. is the middle of the day. Is the dining-learning commons open, thus respecting and being conducive to their (not our) lifestyle? If so, does it offer more than microwave pizza and hot dogs? This will offer a social and safe on-campus environment, Porter says. “If the place isn’t open when they’re hungry, they’ll go elsewhere.”
- How far is the dining hall from dorms and the academic core of campus? “I once consulted with a university that was mystified about why two dining halls got lots of student traffic, while the third – the most beautiful -- was largely ignored,” Porter says. “When I visited, I discovered the dining hall had been built on top of a rather steep hill on the far edge of campus. The location offered great views, but the climb was a bear!” Dining halls should be within easy reach of both dorms and classroom buildings in the academic core or students simply won’t use them.

David Porter, author and social architect, is CEO and president of Porter Khouw Consulting, Inc., a foodservice master planning and design firm based in Crofton, Maryland. David has more than 40 years of hands-on food service operations and consulting experience and is a professional member of the Foodservice Consultants Society International. He is the author of “The Porter Principles, Retain & Recruit Students & Alumni, Save Millions on Dining and Stop Letting Food Service Contractors Eat Your Lunch,” (www.porterkhouwconsulting.com). Porter Khouw Consulting has worked with more than 350 clients to conduct market research and develop strategic plans, master plans and designs for the college and university market. Porter is a graduate of the prestigious hospitality program at Michigan State University and has been recognized repeatedly as a leader in his field.

And the winner is . . .

Photo provided by Lynn Stidham
Clay City Elementary student Collin Barnes’ art work was selected as the winning t-shirt design for the 2014 Powell County Reading Celebration. Pictured with Collin is school media specialist Charlotte Denniston. Sponsors for t-shirts this year are Red River Ranch, Powell County Lions Club, Whitaker Bank, Powell County Kiwanis and Clark Energy. The design can be seen at the right. The Reading Celebration will held on March 22.



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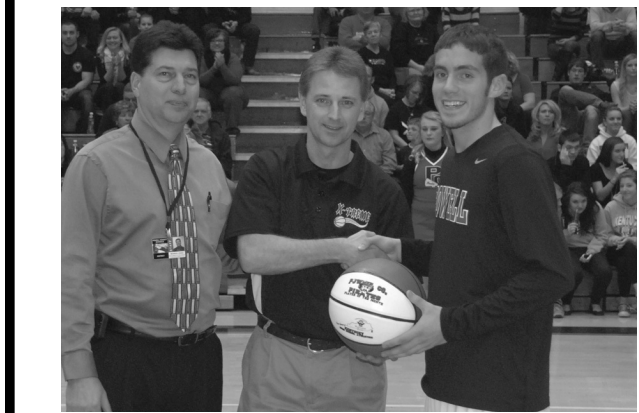
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Most information will remain on your credit report for seven years; therefore, it is very important that you check your credit report regularly to be certain there are not any errors. You are entitled to one free credit report per year from each of the three main credit reporting agencies. Instead of requesting a report for each agency at the same time, order one at a time spread out over the course of 12 months. If you time it right, you could

request a free credit report every four months. There are several ways to obtain a free credit report. Be careful about responding to ads on television and on the internet. You can receive a free copy of your credit report online at www.annualcreditreport.com or by phone at 1-877-322-8228.

You may also request a copy by mail by submitting an online request form and mailing it to Annual Credit Report Request Service. You do not need to request your credit score to ensure the accuracy of your credit report.

If you are denied credit due to a poor credit history or a low credit score, that are things you can do to rebuild your credit worthiness, including paying your bills on time and reducing your debt load. To build a good credit history be certain you make at least the minimum payments on all of your debts. You want to pay all of your bills on time every month, including credit cards, utilities, car payments, and rent payments. Double check your credit report to ensure that these payments are being reported accurately.

Finally, it is important to realize that there are other reasons for being denied a loan; it is always a good idea to schedule a meeting with your lender to identify the rationale behind being denied, you may be able to pursue different financing options available from other financial institutions or government lenders.

Source: MITT Educational programs of Kentucky Cooperative Extension serve all people regardless of race, color, age, sex, religion, disability, or national origin.

Dr. Scheiner says. "Also, if you look up, they become more prominent."

Festoons, on the other hand, are high on the cheek, although they can extend to the lower lid area. "They feel squishy to the touch, and they can be easily moved from side to side. They don't become more prominent when you look up."

- What causes them? "Bags" are generally associated with aging, although younger people can also get them, Dr. Scheiner says.

Festoons are usually the result of damage. Sun exposure, smoking and aging are among the possible causes, and the results can be worsened by the contrasting pull of underlying facial muscles over the years. Fair-skinned people tend to be more susceptible to Festoons.

- What can you do about them? "Effective treatments for removing 'bags' have been available for quite some time, but physicians have struggled with removing Festoons," Dr. Scheiner says. "Festoons are complicated to treat."

Medications and steroid injections can provide temporary improvement, and some older surgical procedures offer mixed results.

One of the biggest problems with Festoons and eye "bags" is that they occur around the most expressive area of the face—our eyes. The eyes speak volumes, but they can give off the wrong message if they are framed by Festoons or eye "bags."

"My patients say people are always asking them if they're sick or if they're tired," Dr. Scheiner says. "It's hard to hear that over and over again, and it begins to impact how you feel about yourself, as well as your energy level. What I love about the advanced laser and heading protocol that I developed is that it fundamentally changes the quality and the health of the skin—it takes swollen, sun-damaged skin and makes it smooth, tight and younger. It cleans up the messages around the eyes so that people can appear well and rested."

Adam J. Scheiner, M.D. (www.adamscheinerm.com) is world-renowned in laser eyelid and facial plastic surgery for his groundbreaking treatment for Festoons. He wrote the medical text on the condition and treated two complex causes of Festoons for the Dr. Oz and The Doctors TV shows.

Reader's Recipes



Cold Spaghetti Salad

1 lb. box of spaghetti
1 tomato
1 cucumber
1 medium onion (optional)
1 – 8oz bottle Kraft House Italian Dressing
Salt and pepper

Cook spaghetti according to directions on the box. Drain and rinse with cold water until cold. Drain well. Dice tomato and cucumber and onion if desired. Mix with spaghetti. Pour 8 oz bottle Italian dressing over spaghetti / vegetable mixture, salt and pepper to taste. Refrigerate several hours – best overnight. Serve chilled.



Chilled Blueberry Salad

1 – 1lb can blueberries
2 – 3oz boxes cherry gelatin
1 ½ cups cold water
1 - 8 ½ oz can crushed pineapple with juice
1 package whipped topping mix
1 – 3oz package cream cheese softened
½ cup chopped nuts

Drain berries; add enough water to berry liquid to make 2 cups. Bring to boil and stir in gelatin until dissolved. Add 1 ½ cups cold water, pineapple and berries. Pour into oblong pan and refrigerate until firm. Prepare whipped topping mix as directed on package. Blend with softened cream cheese and nuts. Spread over congealed salad. Chill at least 2 hours before serving.

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

AmVets Meeting

AmVets Post 67, Clay City, monthly meeting, the first Sunday every month at 2 p.m. Bingo every Monday at 6:30 p.m.

The Powell County Library

Powell County Public Library Board Meeting will be held on the third Monday of the month at 4 p.m. in the library. Story Time at the Powell County Public Library is every Thursday from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. for ages 3 to 5 years. We will read stories, do crafts and sometimes a movie.

Disabled American Veteran Meeting

The Monthly Meeting of the Powell County Disabled American Veterans Powell County Chapter # 103 is held on the second Thursday each month at 30 Bright Street Stanton at 6 p.m.

Powell County Tourism Commission

The regular board meetings are held every fourth Wednesday at 1 pm. The meetings are held at the Powell County Extension Office. For more information call 606-481-9470.

Red River Gorge/ Nada Tunnel Festival

The committee for the Red River Gorge/Nada Tunnel Festival will meet the first Tuesday of each month at the Middlefork Fire Department at 7 p.m.

Vets Benefits

A Veteran's Benefits Field Representative will be at the Powell County Courthouse in Stanton, Kentucky on the first Thursday of each month. The hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. For further information call toll free 1-866-376-0308.

Higher Education Meeting

The Powell County Higher Education Development Board will meet on the third Thursday of each month at the Powell County High School Library at 7 p.m.

Stanton Parks and Recreation Board

The Stanton Parks and Recreation Board will hold their regular monthly meeting on the first Tuesday of every month at 6 p.m. The meetings will be held at the city building in the Senior Citizens building located at the city park.

Friends of PC Pets Meetings

Friends of Powell County's Pets hold their monthly meetings at 6:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of every month at the Powell County Public Library. If you have any questions or you would like to volunteer or foster, please stop by.

Brianna's Sanctuary Meetings

Brianna's Sanctuary & Rescue monthly meeting will be held at 6 p.m. on the second Friday of each month, at the Powell County Public Library. If you would like to volunteer or find out the requirements for fostering, come by and join us. For questions call (606) 663-2353 or (859) 576-4846.

Clay City Homemakers

The Clay City Homemakers meet on the first Thursday of the month at noon at the Powell County Extension Office.

Quilt Club

The Quilt Club meets the second Monday of the month at 11 a.m. at the Powell County Extension Office.

Ever wonder why we look tired

For a malady that's as common to aging as waning vision, Festoons – also called "malar mounds" -- aren't well understood by the public, says Adam J. Scheiner, M.D., an international eyelid and facial cosmetic surgeon specializing in the treatment of Festoons and featured on "The Dr. Oz Show" and "The Doctors."

"The more people know about the causes of Festoons and how they are often misdiagnosed, the better informed they are to be their own effective health-care advocates," says Dr. Scheiner (www.adamscheinerm.com).

"A growing part of my practice is correcting treatments with less than favorable results that patients have had done elsewhere; like fillers used under the eyes to treat 'bags,' or lower eyelid surgery that doesn't address the patients' Festoons," Dr. Scheiner says.

"The lack of awareness around Festoons and how ubiquitous they are — and how often they are misdiagnosed — is why my practice has executed an educational marketing campaign to bring clarity to combat the misinformation and confusion surrounding this condition," he adds.

What is the difference between "bags" and Festoons?

"Bags" are caused by fat protruding through the skin in the lower eyelid area, while Festoons, which also protrude, are primarily on the upper part of the cheek," Dr. Scheiner says. "The two together can look like one large protrusion, but they're separate issues."

Physicians will perform procedures to help a patient's lower eyelid "bags," but often they leave the Festoons behind. This is because Festoons are notoriously hard to treat. The result? When they are not repaired at the same time as the "bags," Festoons can actually look worse compared against the newly rejuvenated lower lid.

Festoons can also be a marker for pre-cancerous skin conditions on other parts of the face — another good reason to know the difference between Festoons and "bags."

Dr. Scheiner offers tips for evaluating whether you have "bags" or Festoons, the causes of both, and solutions:

- Are they "bags" or Festoons? "Bags" often appear as puffy circles directly beneath the eye. "If you touch them, they're usually firmer, and you can't easily move them from side to side. That's an indication they're 'bags,'" Dr. Scheiner says.

COMMUNITY

CALENDAR

Soccer Signups

The Red River Soccer League will be holding sign-ups at Clay City Dairy Queen on Thursday, Feb. 27 from 6-7 p.m. ; and Saturday, March 1 from 12-2 p.m.. The cost is \$45 and the league is for ages 3-12. If you have any questions, call David Spencer at 859-808-3283 or Kortney Shaw at 859-771-7690.

Women's Self Defense Class

Thoroughbred Gym of Powell County, a Gymnastics and Fitness Center, is hosting a Women's Self Defense Class instructed by Craig Caudill of Bluegrass Budokai in Winchester. Saturday, March 8 from 3-6 p.m. at 438 Washington Street, Stanton. Please visit our page at facebook.com/rgympc for more event information.

Bluegrass Budokai's instructors have trained with great martial artists throughout the country, military personnel and law enforcement personnel. These experiences have led them to create one of the best self-defense and defensive tactics/combatives curriculums in the country. See their website www.bluegrassbudokai.com for more program and instructor information.

The class costs \$25. Bring a daughter or niece (age 13-17) free with your paid registration fee. Your registration form and fee can be dropped off at the gym on Tue and Thur from 4:30-9:00pm.

Blood Drive

The next Powell County Community Blood drive will be March 11, from Noon until 5:30 p.m. at the Powell County Extension Office in Stanton. Due to the bad weather in January, there were over 75 blood drives canceled. That makes the blood supply over 1,200 pints short.

GTE/Sylvania/Osram/UAW Retiree Meeting

Winchester GTE/Sylvania/Osram/UAW retirees will meet 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, March 11 at the Union Hall and then travel to Richmond for lunch at Ryan's. All Winchester Sylvania retirees and former employees are welcome to join us for lunch.

AARP Tax Assistance

AARP Tax Assistance Representatives will be at the Powell County Senior Citizen Center located in the Stanton City Park on March 13 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, call 606-663-5981. All ages welcome.

Republican Party Meeting

The Powell County Republican Party will hold their next meeting on Tuesday, March 4 at 6:30 p.m. at Brookside Cottages in Stanton. Everybody welcome. For more information call 663-0514.

Food Handler Class

The Powell County Health Department will be having a food handler class on Thursday,

March 20 and Thursday, April 17. Both classes begin at 1 p.m. This will be a great opportunity for anyone that may be in school or have other responsibilities during the week. Call 606-663-4360 for more information.

Red River Bowhunters

Red River Bowhunters will be shooting indoors on Tuesday nights at 7 p.m. through the end of March. For more information call 606-481-0959.

All Boys Welcome! Be a Scout!

Boys ages 11 and up or 6th Grade and higher are able to join Boy Scout Troop 361. We meet at Shiloh United Methodist Church on Thursday nights at 7 p.m. For more information call Scotty Moree at 606-481-4138.

Baseball Academy

Powell County High School is hosting a six week baseball camp starting March 9. Powell County head coach Chris Varney will direct the program in conjunction with U.S. Baseball Academy. Classes are available for players in grades 1-12 and are limited to six players per coach. Sessions are offered in advanced hitting, pitching, catching, fielding and base running. Proceeds from the program benefit amateur baseball in Stanton. Space is limited. Registration is now under way. For more information, visit www.USBaseballAcademy.com, or call toll-free 866-622-4487.

Veterans Support Group

A Veterans Support Group will meet on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at the AmVets Post #67 in Clay City.

Genealogy Help Desk

The Red River Historical Society and Museum located at 4541 Main Street in Clay City has opened a Genealogy Help Desk. It will be staffed by members of the historical society and members of the Red River Valley Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). If you are researching your Eastern Kentucky roots we hope we can be of some help to you. The hours are 2 to 5 p.m. each Sunday at the museum.

Veterans Benefits

A Veterans Benefits Field Representative with the Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs will be at the Powell County Courthouse, Stanton on the first Thursday of each month from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Veterans and their families will be given counseling in filing for Federal and State Veterans benefits. This service is provided free of any charge or fee by the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Department of Veterans Affairs. Call and leave a message at 1-866-376-0308, leave a message, your call will be returned. Bring all documents pertaining to filing a claim.

CHURCH NEWS

Revival at New Beginnings

Please join Evangelist Buddy and Jeanne Steele for the Golden Age of Revival, March 3-8, 7 p.m. nightly at New Beginnings Church of God, Hwy. 82, Clay City. For additional information please call 663-5902 or 663-1999

Prayer Task Force Schedule

The Powell County Christians United Against Drugs (PCCUAD) Prayer Task Force will meet at the Clay City Baptist Church

located on the corner of 7th Street and 8th Avenue behind the Clay City Restaurant. This meeting is for all Christians to come and pray together. We name our prayer concerns, pray and leave. Do you have one hour for God? You will be blessed, everyone welcome! The prayer service starts at 9 a.m. on each Saturday.

Prayer Line

If you are in need of prayer or need to leave a prayer request, call (606) 663-6172 or (606) 663-6385.



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Stanton Assembly of God, Washington St., Stanton, 663-0198, Pastor Eddie and Linda Thomas, 859-771-9777, Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm.

BAPTIST

Clay City Baptist, 7th St. & 8th Ave., Clay City, Grider Denney, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Evening Service 7 pm.

Crossroads Baptist, 2524 Virden Ridge Rd., Clay City, Pastor James Smith, Sunday School 3 pm; Sunday Worship Service 4 pm; 606-663-5796.

Emmanuel Baptist, 745 W Highway 15 (across from PCHS) Stanton. Ph: 663-1300.; Services: Sunday School 9:45 am, Morning Worship 11:00 am, Evening Worship 6 pm, Wednesday Night Bible Study, 7 pm.

Faith Freewill Baptist Church, 130 Washington Street, Stanton, KY 40380, Pastor: Ireland Sexton. Phone 606-663-0073.

Friendship Baptist Church, 105 Bluebird Lane (off Virden Ridge Rd.) Clay City, Clyde Spencer, Pastor, Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service Sunday, 11 am; Worship Service Saturday 6 pm.

Mill Knob Baptist Church, 21 Rice Rd., Stanton, off Peck's Creek. Pastor, Warren Rogers 606-481-0444. Sunday School 10 a.m.; Worship at 11 a.m. Evening Worship 6 p.m. Wednesday service 7 p.m.

Morris Creek Missionary Baptist, Hwy. 213 North, Pastor Bess Goss. Jr. Sunday School 10 am, worship 10:45 am.

Powell's Valley Baptist, 125 Powell's Valley Rd., Clay City; Gary Willoughby, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday service 6 pm.

Rehoboth Baptist Mission, 663-1950; Gary Hurt, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Morning Service 11 am; Sunday Evening 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Stanton Baptist, 42 E. College Ave., Stanton, Ph. 663-2170; Jonathan Lewis , Min., Sunday School 9:45 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; AWANAS Wednesday 6:30-8 pm & Wednesday Service 7:00 pm.

West Bend Baptist, 10124 Winchester Rd. Sunday School 10 a.m.; Sunday Service 11:15 a.m. Pastor John C. Taylor. Phone 1-859-270-1599.

Calvary Baptist Church, Stokely Loop, Clay City, 663-1890; Johnny Hurt, Pastor, Sunday School 10 am; Worship 11 am; Evening Service 6 pm; Wednesday Service 6 pm.

CATHOLIC

Our Lady Of The Mounts Church, 1093 E. College Ave., 663-5919; Sister Mary Jane Kreidler, pastoral director, and Father Al Fritsch, parish priest. Tuesday and Friday Mass 4:30 pm

CHRISTIAN

Stanton Christian, 100 West Church Street, Stanton, 663-2458; Interim Pastor, Jim Hutchison Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service 10:30 a.m. and Sunday Night Small Groups and Youth Groups at 6 p.m. Meal and Open Gym at 7 p.m. Wednesday Nigh Small Groups for all ages 7 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Bowen Church of Christ, Luke Newell - 1st and 3rd Sunday; Daniel Newell - 2nd and 4th Sunday.

Cat Creek Church of Christ, Eugene Reed , Relzda McNabb, and Dwaine Meadows Min. Sunday School 10 a.m.; morning worship 11 a.m.; evening service 6p.m.' Wednesday 7 p.m.

Clay City Church of Christ, 5719 Main St., Clay City, Mack C. Rice, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Stanton Church of Christ, 255 N. Main St., 663-5327; Brock Hartwigsen, Min., Sunday Service 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

CHURCH OF GOD

Bowen First Church of God, 5555 Campton Road, Stanton (Bowen) 663-0751; Pastor Steven V. Williams, Sunday School 9:45 am; Worship Service 10:45 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Clay City First Church of God, 4236 Main St., Ph. 663-2810; Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 10:45 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Emmanuel Tabernacle Church of God, Pastor: Kyle Shoupe; 859-749-4067; Sunday School, 1 pm, Worship Service, 2 pm; Sunday Night Service, 6:30 pm; Wed. night service, 7:00 pm; For more information 663-2266 or 663-8118.. Everyone is welcome.

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Christian Fellowship Church of God, 4627 Main St., Clay City, Pastor Harold G. Kelly, Sunday School 10 am; Sunday Morning Worship Service 10:45 am and Sunday Night Service 6:00 pm; Wednesday Service 7:00 pm. **Walnut Grove Church of God, North Fork Road**, Stanton, Rothiel King Pastor, Sunday Morning Service 10 am; Night service 6 pm.

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Howard Coop

Guest Columnist

It was one of those mornings that got off to a bad start.

I began the day with high expectations and plans to accomplish those expectations, but everything I did seemed to go wrong.

In the kitchen, I was in a rush.

When I reached for a glass of orange juice, I knocked it over and spilled the juice on the table. I tried to pick up a simple item and dropped it on the floor.

When I wanted something, it was not where I thought it should have been.

Everything seemed to be out of place and in dis-

array.

Nothing seemed to be in order, and I could do nothing right.

For me, the day was off to a dismal beginning.

Then, a thought suddenly came to my mind.

All of my life I have heard the old adage:

“A bad start for a good ending.”

So, I asked myself, “Under the circumstances, what can I do to turn a negative into a positive and, after a bad start, bring a good ending to this day?It didn't take long for me to reach a conclusion:

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Then, I remembered something that I realized is

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A bid sheet for the contractor's cost for each of the floor plans and other costs associated with the home will be included in the packet. Any additional questions may be answered by contacting the following: Jimmy Stone, Director of Housing for Kentucky River Foothills Development Council, Inc. P.O. Box 504, Clay City, KY 40312, (606)663-6904 or (606)723-0207. The hearing/sight impaired may call the Kentucky Relay Service at 1-800-247-2510. Kentucky River Foothills Development Council, Inc. has adopted Fair Housing Policies and promotes Equal Housing Opportunity.

Kentucky River Foothills Development Council, Inc. requests that interested contractors or builders respond for information beginning March 5, 2014. The bids will be due no later than 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 12, 2014 at either 212 Tenth Avenue, Clay City, KY 40312 or 209 River Drive, Irvine, KY 40336.

Houses are to be complete "turn key". The Contractor will be responsible for any tap-on costs and this should be included in the final bid of each home. References will be checked. These houses will be inspected under Kentucky Housing Corporation requirements. The winning bid will go to the bidder that Kentucky River Foothills deems the most appropriate. Kentucky River Foothills Development Council has the right to reject any and all bids. Kentucky River Foothills Development Council, Inc. also requires the right to award all three homes to a single contractor.

All contractors interested in participating in this program should provide copies of their liability and workman's comp insurance along with their bids. This insurance needs to be a minimum of \$1,000,000 coverage. Contractors will be required to fill out a Contractors Application and sign a Debarment Form. Preferences will be shown to contractors who have experience working with state and federally funded affordable housing programs and the ability to adhere to Universal Design standards. The successful bidder as well as non-successful bidders will be notified by mail.

Attention of contractors is particularly called to the requirements as to the condition of employment to be observing including, Title VI, Title VIII, Section 3, Section 504, Section 109, Age Discrimination, and Executive Orders 11063 and 11246. Small, local, and female owned contractors are encouraged to participate.

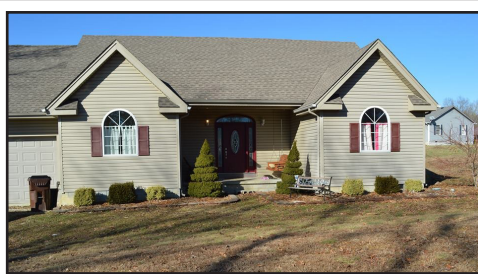


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Lady Pirates sail into tournament

By JAMES COOK
Times Editor

When it comes to the Powell County Lady Pirates there are some nights that may surprise you. But you can rest assured that the team is not surprised at all. The Lady Pirates rounded out their regular season with two impressive wins and had incredible games from several players along the way.

The team traveled to Jackson City last Monday night (Feb. 17) for a rematch. The Lady Pirates had barely survived a scare from the Lady Tigers last month in Stanton. But there was no doubt this time around.

Powell blew the game open in the second quarter, taking a 40-25 halftime lead and never looked back. The Lady Pirates cruised to an easy 72-43 win.

Powell was led in scoring by Triston Curtis with 17 points, a season high, and she picked up 10 rebounds along the way. Destiny Peck tossed in 13 and Keeley Rogers chipped in 12

to the winning effort. Stephanie Knox added seven, Shayla Lindon scored five and Dakota Brown had four. Alisha Elam, Amber Branhams and Sarah Spencer each scored three and Krista Estep picked up a bucket.

The very next night Powell traveled to Irvine to play a make up game with Estill County. The Lady Pirates took a commanding 29-9 halftime lead and sealed another undefeated district regular season record en route to a 55-26 win. The win helped to settle the pairings for this week's 56th District Girl's Basketball Tournament, played at Lee County. Powell and Estill will square off again and that game was scheduled for this past Monday night.

Powell was led in scoring by Peck with 21 points and Rogers with 16. Knox added six, Lindon scored five, Curtis chipped in three, while Spencer and Estep each scored two points.

Powell finished the regular season with a 19-7 record.

Times Photos by Whitney Cook

The Powell County Lady Pirates got a scare Monday night against Estill in the first round of the 56th District Tournament. Powell had easily handled Estill this season but held a slim 27-25 lead at the half after Destiny Peck (top right) got into early foul trouble. But the play of Peck, Keeley Rogers (bottom right) and Triston Curtis (bottom left) helped Powell to prevail and win, 63-47. They advance to the championship game tonight (Thursday) and the region tournament next week at Leslie County.



Good Luck and Congratulations to the Lady Pirates!



Times Photos by James Cook

Powell's Brett Goodwin goes up for a basket against Wolfe County last week (left), while Mark Ventura (bottom) launches a three point attempt against Hazard. The team has been on a skid of late, but hope to bounce back this week in the 56th District Boy's Basketball Tournament at Lee County.

Good Luck
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Coon Hunters Club holds first meet



Photos by Connie Rae Reed

The local Coon Hunters Club had their 1st meet Saturday Night from seven to midnight. Derick Tipton and Stanley Tipton won \$120.00 for the biggest coon at 12 lb. 8 oz. and Johnny Anderson, Kevin Littdral and Shannon Stamper won \$50.00 for their 10 pound coon. If you are interested in joining the club call John Barker at 606-481-4699.

Pirates enter post-season on 6 game skid

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The Powell County Basketball team entered the final week of the regular season playing well but their record did not show it. The Pirates had lost three straight games going into the week.

Last Tuesday, Powell hosted Wolfe County in a border county battle. a led early on baskets by Matt Brooks and Brett Goodwin. Austin Mullins scored five in a row for the Pirates to give them a one point lead. Wolfe hit two baskets to take a three point lead at the end of the first quarter, 15 -12. Powell kept the game close in the second quarter with three baskets by Mark Ventura. Wolfe build a five point lead to end the half, 32, 27.

The third quarter was the undoing for the Pirates. Powell could only manage one

basket and just five points in the quarter. Wolfe had no trouble scoring and opened up a 50 -32 lead after three quarters.

Powell trailed by 20 points midway through the final quarter and Wolfe pulled their starters. Nathan Watson hit a three pointer to cut the lead. Adrian Williams also hit a three for the Pirates. Brooks added a basket and Watson another three cut the lead to just 12 points. Wolfe returned their starters for the final two minutes and closed out the victory, 66 - 48. The Pirates were lead by Brett Goodwin with 12 points and Nathan Watson with nine points.

Powell faced Hazard last Friday on Senior Night for the Pirates. The Pirates kept the game close with baskets by Brett Goodwin and Austin Mullins. Matt Brooks hit two free throws and the game was tied at 15 - 15 with three minutes to go in the the quarter.

Hazard turned up the heat and went on a 10 - 2 run to end the quarter. Hazard led 25 - 17. The Pirates stayed within striking distance for the first four minutes of the second quarter. Hazard slowly began to pull away from the Pirates and led 52 - 29 at halftime.

Hazard continued to increase their lead in the third quarter. Goodwin and Mullins kept Powell from going farther down with baskets and free throws. Hazard led 69 - 42 after three quarters.

Powell kept their seniors in for the first minute of the fourth quarter. Coach Hall removed his five seniors to a standing ovation. The five that came in for the Pirates caught fire and got the crowd buzzing.

Derrick Robinson made three free throws to start the Pirate run. Robinson then hit four straight three pointers for the Pirates. Jonathan Rose hit a three and Brad Smith

sank a three as well. Hazard's lead had been cut to just 12 points with two minutes to go at 80 - 68. Hazard returned their starters to stop the Powell run. Hazard used their power inside to increase the lead and win the game over the Pirates, 90 - 73.

Powell was led in scoring by Brett Goodwin with 19 points. Derrick Robinson scored 17 points in the last seven minutes for the Pirates. Austin Mullins added 11 points and Brad Smith chipped in 8 points for the Pirates.

Powell traveled to Buckhorn this past Saturday for their final regular season game. It was a good one. The game was close throughout with neither team able to pull away. The game was tied at the end of regulation. Buckhorn pulled away in overtime to win 85 - 79 over Powell.

The Pirates finish the regular season with a 9 - 18 record and a number two seed



Times Photo by James Cook

Powell's Matt Brooks goes up strong against Hazard last Friday. The Pirates fell for the sixth straight time in the game and hope to right the ship in this week's district tournament.

in the 56th District standings. Powell was scheduled to play Owsley County in the opening round of the district tournament on Tuesday in Lee County.

Thanks for the memories

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